

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

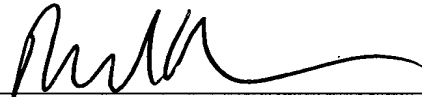
Claims 1-3 and 6-8 are pending in the present application with Claims 4, 5 and 9 having been canceled by the present amendment.

This application is a divisional application of parent application Serial No. 09/615,776, filed on July 13, 2000, and is directed to non-elected claims 1-3 and 6-8.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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